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TAGS: PINT, VT, VS

SUBJ: PAPAL MESSAGE TO SELECTED VIETNAMESE BISHOPS

1. "L'OSSERVATORE ROMANO" ANNOUNCED MARCH 21 THAT POPE PAUL HAD SENT FOLLOWING MESSAGE THROUGH CARDINAL SECRETARY OF STATE VILLOT TO THE ARCHBISHOP OF HUE, AND TO THE BISHOPS OF DA NANG, KONTUM, NHATRANG, QUI NHON AND DALAT: QUOTE HOLY FATHER DEEPLY MOVED BY THE SITUATION IN YOUR DIOCESES MADE PRECARIOUS BY THE DEPLORABLE AGGRAVATION OF THE CONFLICT, ASSOCIATES HIMSELF PROFOUNDLY WITH THEIR LATEST TEST AND PRAYS THE LORD THAT THEY FIND SECURITY, HELP AND CONFORT. HE SENDS YOU AS WELL AS THE PRIESTS, RELIGIOUS, SEMINARIANS AND FAITHFUL CONFIDED TO YOUR CARE A SPECIAL APOSTOLIC BLESSING. END QUOTE

2. SAME ARTICLE ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT POPE HAD MADE AVAILABLE A CONSIDERABLE SUM FOR AIDING VIETNAMESE REFUGEES. VOLPE

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